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In The Specification

In the specification on page 4, delete the first paragraph and insert the following paragraph. A marked-up copy of the Specification showing these amendments is enclosed.

- - The shuttle blow molding apparatus of the present invention also includes apparatus for moving each mold set, in sequence, to an elevated position in which it grasps a length of extruded tube and then outwardly in a first transverse direction and downwardly to permit the other mold set to engage

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